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Council Approves Revenue Bond Ordinance

by Mary Lou Williamson

Low-cost, tax-exempt bonds to finance the major portion of Greenbelt Homes' Rehabilitation took another step forward last week. On Oct. 8 the city council unanimously approved an ordinance authorizing the city to issue up to \$17.5 million in mortgage revenue bonds. Both city manager Jim Giese and the bond council Mark Reisman recommended approval, though as Giese stated, "there are some problems and unresolved matters."

The potentially serious problems center around the words "low-cost" and "tax-exempt" and are issues over which neither the city nor GHI has any control. Because of current market conditions, Giese reported to council, the projected interest rate for the bonds is between 10½ and 11 percent. "The original computations of what members would have to pay for financing had been based on 9 percent interest," he explained. This means the cost of the bonds will be higher than expected. The only offsetting factor is that the GHI staff now hopes not to have to issue the full amount of \$17.5 million.

Legislation

Legislation which could be enacted in a lame-duck session of Congress following the election poses a greater threat — loss of tax-exempt status which would result in cancellation of the bond issue.

An unresolved argument as to whether the more restrictive legislation should be retroactive to April, 1979 (favored by the House) or become effective January 1, 1981 (preferred by the Senate) has killed all bills to date. While Giese thinks there is little chance of any legislation being approved, he acknowledges that it is possible.

Bond counsel Reisman also recommended going ahead. "If the (House legislation) doesn't get through, we're okay." The problem, again is the effect on the interest rate. The uncertainty worries prospective investors who then demand a higher interest rate, Reisman explained. Giese

summed up for all parties when he said "GHI wants and needs rehab. Much as we don't like the interest rates, this is still the best available financing to do the work. The alternatives are not as good."

Townhouse Issue

The remaining problem — whether to see COUNCIL, page 5, col. 1

UPDATE

GHI general manager Ken Kopstein advised the News Review on November 3 that GHI, its bond counsel and underwriter are still "dealing with the complexities of floating the revenue bonds." In one piece of good news, he said, GHI has received a favorable bond counsel ruling: GHI would be able to qualify for tax-exempt status under the transitional rules of legislation pending in Congress. (Though doubtful, legislation might be passed during a lame-duck session of Congress.)

What still worries GHI are the poor market conditions for selling bonds at this time. Kopstein says GHI is considering whether to hold off for four to five months in hopes of some improvement. At the same time he has been exploring temporary financing of rehabilitation through a short-term State construction loan at 8.5 percent. In this way the work would not be held up pending sale of bonds.

Kopstein hopes the situation will "crystallize before the end of November."

New Townhouses Excluded

by James P. O'Sullivan

In response to a petition signed by a majority of new townhouse owners, the GHI Board of Directors at its October 7 meeting voted to exclude the new townhouses from the upcoming city revenue bond issue. As a result of this action the new townhouse owners will now have to make their own financing arrangements for any necessary improvements on their homes. The board took this action in accordance with the wishes of at least 19 of the 25 owners who signed the petition after receiving assurances that the exclusion would not adversely affect the bond issue on the remainder of GHI's property.

According to (special counsel for rehabilitation) Patrick Clancy, an attorney with Krooth & Altman, there are no legal impediments to an exclusion of the townhouse property from the assets covered by the revenue bonds. As Clancy explained it the townhouses are a distinct legal entity within the cooperative and may be segregated from other GHI assets. Townhouse owners have different ownership contracts and different financial arrangements.

Moreover, it does not appear that exclusion of the townhouses would significantly affect the marketability of the bonds or the bond interest rate since they represent only 2-3% of the total assets of GHI. For these reasons the board decided to reverse its previous policy and let the new townhouses out of the bond issue and the rehabilitation program.

The board's action was also premised on the understanding that if the townhouses were excluded they would not be permitted to share in the benefits derived from See GHI, page 5, col. 2

Gladys Spellman Is Top Vote Getter Trailed by Mathias, Carter, Question K

by Elaine Skolnik

When the votes were tallied in Greenbelt on November 4, it was clear that Ronald Reagan would be the next president of the United States. Although the Democratic team of Jimmy Carter and Walter Mondale garnered 48.3% of the vote, it was not nearly enough to presage a victory for the Democrats. (Carter won in Maryland by 47% of the total vote cast for president.) Reagan and Bush gathered 37.6%, Libertarian candidates Edward Clarke and David Koch received 1.1% and Independent candidates John Anderson and Patrick Lucey collected 13%. Anderson's candidacy appears to have hurt the Democrats, who had a three to one edge in registration, more than the Republicans in the city. (See chart, page 3)

In 1964 Lyndon Johnson rolled up a 71-29% victory over Barry Goldwater. Hubert Humphrey received 54.6% of the Greenbelt vote topping Richard Nixon in 1968. In 1972 challenger George McGovern barely managed to carry the city against Nixon by 52.3%. Carter handily beat Ford in 1976 with 62% of the vote.

Republican Senator Charles McC. Mathias Jr. in his bid for a third term repeated his winning ways in Greenbelt by soundly defeating State Senator Edward T. Conroy for the U.S. Senate seat. He collected 57.6% of the 6,614 votes cast. In 1968 and 1974 Mathias beat his Democratic opponents here, garnering 54% of the vote over incumbent Democrat Daniel Brewster in 1968 and 59% over Democrat Barbara Mikulski in 1974.

In the Congressional race, Congresswoman Gladys Noon Spellman trounced her opponent Kevin Igoe. She carried the city with 82% majority, surpassing her previous margins. In 1974 Spellman received 63% of the vote and 66% in 1976. Two years ago she rolled up 77% of the Greenbelt vote.

(Mrs. Spellman was hospitalized after suffering cardiac arrest on October 31. She remains in critical condition at the Greater Laurel - Beltsville Hospital.)

The turnout of 7,462 Greenbelt voters represented 76.1% of the 9,807 eligibles. In 1972, 86% of the 8,295 registered voters cast ballots and in 1976, 72% of the 8,877 eligibles voted.

K, L, M

Of the three questions, three alternatives to amend the county charter dealing with the size of County Council, petition sponsored Question K was the only one receiving a majority (see chart page 3) in Greenbelt. County voters also preferred K. Question K would reduce the number of council seats from 11 to nine and provide that all members would be elected from separate districts. Consequently, the adoption of K has overridden voter approvals of 1970 and 1978. In approving the charter in 1970 county voters had opted for a council of 11 members, five to be

GREENBELT VOTING STATISTICS

	Votes Cast	Registered Voters	% Voting
Center	(3) 2,036	2,845	71.6
North End (6)	1,717	2,294	74.8
Springhill Lake (8)	1,722	2,234	77.1
Roosevelt	(13) 1,987	2,434	81.6
Totals	7,462	9,807	76.1

elected by voters of separate districts and six at-large. At that, however, the Maryland constitution did not permit such an arrangement. In 1978, voters in the county and state overwhelmingly supported an amendment to the state constitution to allow the 1970-approved plan to be implemented in 1982.

Veterans' Day Program

Greenbelt Post 136 will celebrate Veterans' Day, Tuesday, November 11, at 10 a.m. at the Greenbelt Center War Memorial.

The following program is planned: Patriotic music, DuVal Senior High Band; Color Guards, Greenbelt A. L. Post 136, DAV Chapter 23, Greenbelt A.L.A. Unit 136, VFW Freestate Post 8950; and speeches and special guests.

There will be a "Special Salute to America's Forgotten Eight," in memory of the eight volunteer servicemen who died in Iran in the attempt to free the hostages. Everyone is urged to attend.

HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

Due to the Veteran's Day Holiday Tuesday, November 11, 1980, there will be no refuse collected that day. The regular Tuesday route will be picked up on Wednesday. THERE WILL BE NO PAPER PICK UP WEDNESDAY. Refuse collection for Thursday and Friday will follow the regular schedule.

Postal Service Presents Specifications For Co-op Basement as Facility Site

by Leta Mach

A proposal to relocate the Greenbelt main post office under the Co-op supermarket is being seriously considered by the U.S. Postal Service. In recent weeks, Greenbelt Co-operative, Inc. (GCI) has received building specifications and the city has received parking lot plans from the U.S. Postal Service.

Although the Postal Service has expressed interest in the site for some time, Robert Satake, GCI Chief Executive Officer, told the News Review that specifications had been received only a few weeks ago. The specifications list those items the Postal Service wants done to the Co-op basement before renting the space. Basically Satake explained, the basement needs everything —

new ceiling, new lights, new floor, special wall coverings, and fixtures for storage and countertops. A door for the proposed facility would also have to be cut into the back side of the building.

Satake stated that the basement has sufficient space for the post office. However, the size of the Greenbelt Bow and Bowl would have to be reduced. Satake explained that the owner has agreed to this change, recognizing the need to keep the post office in the Center.

GCI is now getting cost estimates on the work which must be done to the basement. "Everything has to be justified economically," Satake explained. He hopes to have the costs shortly and added, "I feel very positive at this particular time." He admitted that GCI originally made the offer because it was felt the Cen-

ter would be adversely affected if the post office left. "I think the post office is a service that almost the entire community depends on," he concluded.

In order to accept this offer, the Postal Service wants a fenced parking compound nearby. This would have to be obtained from the city, which owns the North parking lot. At the October 20 council session, a parking compound site plan was considered. The site plan submitted by the Postal Service has two alternate locations for the parking compound. City Manager James Giese explained in his agenda notes that "the size of this enclosure has been greatly reduced from that indicated as necessary in earlier discussions."

In one plan, a fenced compound 120 x 40 feet would be made See POST OFFICE, page 8, col. 2

Citizens Protest Metro Cuts

by Leta Mach

On November 3, council reacted speedily to citizen concerns about METRO by voting to express support for a citizens' petition that METRO continue Saturday and evening service, as well as begin Sunday bus service in Greenbelt. Further, council agreed to send a staff member to a METRO hearing on November 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Largo Senior High School.

Dorothy Baluch, vice-president of Citizens for Greenbelt, called council's attention to the proposed METRO service cutback and fare increase. Several citizens spoke against the proposed cut-

backs. Josephine Vella told council about the petition against the cutbacks that the Citizens for Greenbelt have circulated. One hundred twenty-five signatures have been collected, 50 from riders on a Saturday bus and 68 from Golden Age Club members. Vella noted that if Saturday service is discontinued, she would have to quit her job because she uses a bus to get to work. In response to a question from council about the fare increase, Vella said, "I wouldn't mind paying more, I can see their point; but to discontinue Saturday service is isolating us for two whole days."

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Using Proper Procedures To the Editor:

Evidently neither Bettie Denson nor Carl Conrad understands the division of duties and responsibilities in a corporation such as Greenbelt Homes. The Board of Directors and the members set policy. Management carries out that policy. No member of the cooperative, not even a board member, has any right to attend strictly intra-management conferences. Since no member has such a right, he has no right to representation at such a conference. There is one exception to this in Greenbelt Homes. If the Audit Committee believes that intra-management conferences need investigating, then that Committee may officially vote to investigate and appoint one of its members to do so. Even individual members of the Audit Committee have no business at intra-management conferences unless the Audit Committee has sent them.

Therefore, no matter how many people sign and send in Bettie Denson's little ad and petition, it should have no force or effect. No action by members outside the body of the membership at duly called meetings of the corporation has any validity.

There are quite a few GHI members who have expertise in the crafts needed for our rehabilitation effort. Nothing but chaos could result if each of them went around to the various work-sites and instructed the men there as to their duties. Similarly, no intra-office conference could even get off the ground if all of them attended and tried to put in their ideas.

If Conrad has found some things, as he wanders around GHI, that he thinks should be changed, then he should make a note of them and turn that over to the manager for any action the manager sees fit to take. If he feels the action has not been taken, he can present it at a board meeting. He has no right, by himself, to represent members in management conferences or to instruct foremen, contractors or workmen as to their duties. Whether or not he is correct, he only impedes progress. There is a right way to do it. If Conrad wishes to take action, let us hope that in the future, he will take it either through General Manager Ken Kopstein or through the board at a meeting.

Janet M. James

'Amadeus' at National

Peter Shaffer's London hit, "Amadeus," is playing at the National Theatre until December 6 before moving to Broadway. "Amadeus" will star Ian McKellen as Antonio Salieri, Tim Curry as Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Jane Seymour as Constanze Weber.

Tickets are available through the Box Office, Charge-A-Ticket at 842-8000 and Ticketron outlets. For information call 638-3393.

It's Not Safe Anymore To the Editor:

In answer to the lady who regretted not seeing as many children out for "trick or treat"; it just isn't safe any more!

On Friday evening two ninth grade boys were going home on Lakeside Drive after Trick or Treat (about 8:30 p.m.) when they were jumped by older teenage boys. One boy was knocked to the pavement and his candy taken. The other boy was hit on the head but, luckily, was wearing a helmet. His bag was secured by a rope so it couldn't quickly be removed.

This is the last year those boys will go out on Halloween.

Margaret Zanin

THANKS

To the Editor:

Greenbelt Post and Unit No. 136, The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who attended their first annual Halloween Party at the Post Home.

Congratulations to the first place winner in the costume parade, Ronnie Lee Johnson. He received a \$50 Savings Bond for his outstanding masquerade as "wolf-man"!

Special thanks are extended to the News Review and all elementary schools in Greenbelt for publicizing this event. We certainly enjoyed hosting the party in an attempt to "make Halloween a safe and fun night" and are looking forward to an even larger turnout next year.

Don and Sandi
Post and Unit Chairmen
Children and Youth Committee

Fun Runs

The semi-monthly Fun Runs conducted by the Greenbelt Running Club continue this Saturday at Greenbelt Lake with distances of 1/2, 1, and 3 miles. The first run will start promptly at 9 a.m. behind the Bandstand. No preregistration is required.

Future runs for the remaining year will be 6, 2, and 4 miles. For further information, call Larry Noel at 474-9362.

NOTICE

If you know of someone who has not received his copy of the News Review, please ask him to call circulation manager Earl Kepler, 345-2670. Circulation problems cannot be worked out until we know about them.

News Review Staff

THANKS

To the Editor:

We would like to express our appreciation to the community of Greenbelt for the extraordinary support provided to sustain us during a most difficult time. Although it hurts terribly to have lost Patrick as an innocent victim of a senseless, alcohol-related accident, we have, nonetheless, found that his loving spirit of concern for others is a part of what makes Greenbelt a truly remarkable place to live in.

Thank you.

Pat, Charles, Chris & Phil
Tompkins

GHI NOTES

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, the GHI regular board meetings will be held on Nov. 13 and 20. Special information meetings on the GHI budget for 1981 will be held on Saturday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m. to noon and Wednesday, Nov. 19, 8 p.m., both meetings in the GHI Board Room on Hamilton Place.

The Member and Community Relations Committee will meet on Monday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m., at the GHI building, to discuss plans for a crime prevention program. Also, in conjunction with the Aesthetics and Environment Committee, plans will be developed to encourage members to maintain their yards and the exterior of their homes in a manner which reflects positively on the community. Any member interested in these issues is welcome to attend the meetings.

A group of 36 people from Sweden who are cooperative housing officials visited GHI on Tuesday, September 23. They viewed GHI's slide-tape show, listened to General Manager Ken Kopstein discuss the financing plans for rehabilitation, and toured GHI accompanied by Sandra Barnes and Board President Don Volk. The group was sponsored by the Foundation for Cooperative Housing.

LEGION AUX. BINGO

Greenbelt Unit No. 136, American Legion Auxiliary, will hold another Golden Bingo on Sunday, November 9 at the Post Home. Doors will open at noon—bingo begins at 1:30 p.m. Advance ticket sales are suggested. Please call Sandi, 794-6143, or Peg, 474-4649, for more information.

NOTICE NOTICE

In accordance with Federal Regulations, notice is hereby given that the City



of Greenbelt has filed with the Office of Revenue Sharing the 1980 Survey of Municipal or Township Finances (Form F-21A). A copy of this report is available for public inspection at the City Manager's Office, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Auth. Discusses Book

Dr. William Perl will speak on his book, "Four Front War," at the Mishkan Torah on Nov. 7 at 8 p.m. After Hitler's ascent to power, Perl organized the drama-

tic escape to Palestine of thousands of Jews. After W.W. II he became Special Assistant to the Prosecution at the War Crimes Trial in Dachau.

Religious school students will be honored on Nov. 8 at 10:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
422-8057

Mowatt Memorial

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Church School 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
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Rev. Ira C. Keperling, Pastor
474-1924

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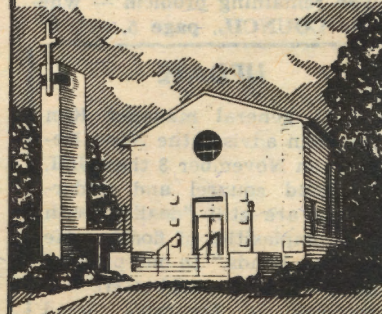
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Bible Study for all ages (Sun.) 9:45 am
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Mid-week Prayer service (Wed.) 8:00 pm

For bus transportation, call Church office
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Rev. Harry Taylor co-pastors

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SUNDAY

NURSERY SCHOOL: 9:50 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:50 to 10:50 a.m.

Ages 3-19

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Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone 345-5111

GREENBELT VOTE -- GENERAL ELECTION

(Unofficial Returns)

	Center	North End	Springhill Lake	Roosevelt	Total	% of Votes Cast
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U. S. President

Jimmy Carter (D)	1008	759	858	940	3565	48.3
Ronald Reagan (R)	705	704	583	781	2773	37.6
Edward E. Clarke (L)	30	18	17	14	79	1.1
John B. Anderson (I)	266	220	246	229	961	13.0
Total					7378	

U. S. Senate

Edward T. Conroy (D)	778	683	623	719	2803	42.4
Charles McC. Mathias Jr. (R)	1032	870	878	1031	3811	57.6
Total					6614	

Congress - 5th District

Gladys Noon Spellman (D)	1591	1341	1304	1473	5709	82.0
Kevin R. Igoe (R)	317	291	274	368	1250	18.0
Total					6959	

GREENBELT RESULTS

Questions	K	L	M
Precinct			
Center	Yes 827	228	325
No	510	977	894
North End	Yes 797	169	208
No	440	946	908
SHL	Yes 566	319	391
No	502	675	600
Roosevelt	Yes 697	283	407
No	656	1000	888
Total	Yes *2887	999	1331
No	2108	3598	3290

*Only Question K received a majority.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The football schedule for Nov. 8 is as follows: 75 lb. team vs. College Park, 2:30 p.m., Braden Field; 85 lb. vs. College Park, 1:15 p.m., Braden Field; 95 lb. vs. Lewisdale, 12 noon, Braden Field; 105 lb. vs. College Park, 10:45 a.m., Braden Field; and 115 lb. vs. Glenarden-Ard., 9:30 a.m., Braden Field

Recreation Review

Halloween Costume Winners

On Fri., October 31, the Youth Center was the scene of the annual Halloween Costume Parade and Party sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. The celebration was exciting and somewhat scary. All children received candy and some received prizes for the best costumes in their particular age group. The winners were as follows: Pre-School/Kindergarten—Peter and Jeffrey Timer, Owl Brothers; Morgan Ahearn, Purple Witch; Jessica Canning, Blonde Clown; Rachael Gwinn, Big Headed Woman; T. J. Libey, Baby Devil; Kimberly Jones, Rag Doll. First and Second Grade—Marie Wilkinson, Bride; Becky Geiger, White Haired Witch; Butch Casarella, Dracula; Danny Bodner, Bum. Third and Fourth Grade—Eldo Brown, Cybernetic Zorbor; Jerry Maguire, Chewbacca; Ashia Miller, Ann Berlin; Alison Hurley, Gypsy. Fifth and

CPR CLASSES OFFERED TO BOY SCOUT TROOP

CPR classes as part of the regular scouting meeting for Boy Scout Troop 746 will be given Nov. 7 and 14 from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. at the Methodist Church. The public is also invited to attend these classes. The Scouts will begin their regular meeting earlier than usual in order to make time for the CPR classes.

Sixth Grade—James Jordan, Robot; John Powers, Panda.

Center Holiday Hours

The Youth Center and SHL Center will open at 1 p.m. on Tues., Nov. 11 to accommodate the county school children on a half-day session.

Roller Skating

The wheels are turning at the Center School Gym. and a lot of fun is being had by all. Come roller skate from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. A nominal fee is charged at the door for skate rental. Days are as follows: Weds. for Kindergarten - 3rd Graders and Fri. for the 4th - 6th Graders.

GHI Notified By NLRB

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. has received notification from the National Labor Relations Board of a charge of unfair labor practices pending against the corporation. The charge was filed by the Teamsters Union, Local 639, on August 26, 1980, following the firing of four GHI employees on August 18—Carl Pearson, Paul Schwan, Ronald Summers and Joseph Watson. Named in the complaint as agents of the corporation are Kenneth J. Kopstein, General Manager, and Joseph M. Whalen, Structures Foreman.

According to the complaint, the four employees were fired "because of their membership in, assistance to, and activities on behalf of the Union and to discourage membership in, assistance to, and activities on behalf of the Union by other employees." If proven, such an act would constitute an unfair labor practice.

GHI is given 10 days for its response, which is being prepared by the corporation's labor attorney, C. Robert Moore. A hearing on the complaint will be held on Sept. 8, 1981, before an Administrative Law Judge of the NLRB. In the interim, GHI has the option to work with the Teamsters to negotiate a settlement.

N.O.W. MEETING TUES.

The Northern Prince Georges N.O.W. chapter will hold its November 12 meeting at the Greenbelt Library, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Feminists Against Pornography will present a slide show titled **Women and Pornography**. A short discussion will follow.

For more information, call 794-7532.

GHI Budget Information Hearings

Saturday, November 15

10 AM TO NOON

GHI BOARD ROOM
HAMILTON PLACE

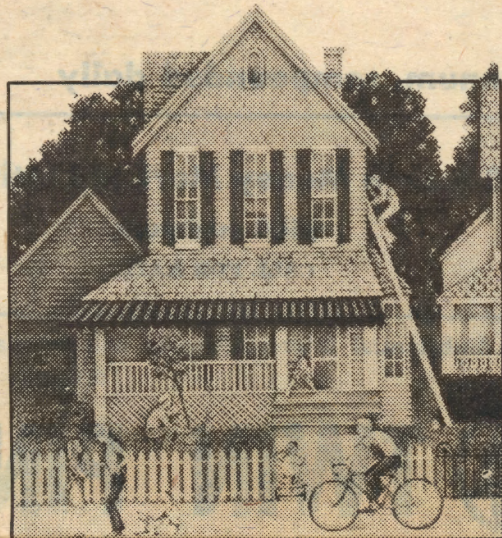
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Wednesday, Nov. 19

8 P.M. TO 10 P.M.

GHI BOARD ROOM
HAMILTON PLACE

These meetings are designed to inform members on the 1981 Budget and provide an opportunity to question and advise. Draft budgets will be available at GHI after Nov. 12.



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Greenbelt: Beltway Plaza Shopping Center, 474-6004

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the Glass Menagerie

by Tennessee Williams

Nov. 14, 1980 — 8:15 pm
Nov. 15, 1980 — 8:15 pm
Nov. 16, 1980 — 7:30 pm

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Council Gears Up to Support METRO E-Line Unchanged

by Bill Rowland

The final decision on the route for the Metrorail line from Greenbelt to the District of Columbia boundary could be made by the beginning of the new year, reports Gerald Gough, METRO spokesman. But, warns Gough, if expected, opposition at an upcoming public hearing forces consideration of other routes than the one now proposed, then the final decision could be delayed by several more years. In fact, he adds, such a delay might prove so expensive that a Greenbelt Metrorail line could not be constructed.

Gough, a Greenbelt resident and former city councilman, made that assessment to city council at its October 20 meeting. (He later gave additional information in an interview with the *News Review*.) The public hearing at Mount Rainier Jr. High School on Monday, November 18, at 7:30 p.m., may draw strong organized opposition to the presently proposed route from citizens of the University Park and College Park Woods communities. The city council last summer had discussed ways in which it might enlist the support of other local governments and communities to counter such opposition. Gough was invited to bring council up to date as a prelude to such action.

Gough explained that the Mount Rainier hearing is scheduled to be the last in a series of four such hearings that began last spring. The hearing will focus on the only unresolved parts of the overall Greenbelt route: the location of the West Hyattsville station and the alignment of the outbound route from Prince Georges Plaza to the B&O railroad tracks. Representatives of the University Park and College Woods communities vigorously contested an earlier proposed alignment because of its impact on existing housing and commercial structures within their areas. They argued that the Metrorail route should avoid their communities entirely. Since then METRO technical staff have made adjustments in the alignment which will reduce the number of structures directly affected. Staff members hope the changes will also ease the intensity of community opposition.

What happens at the Mount Rainier hearing, explained Gough, will probably determine the future of the Greenbelt line. After the hearing, METRO staff will prepare a report for decision by the County Council and then by the WMATA board of directors. If valid opposition has been sufficiently reduced, then the County Council should be able to accept the overall Greenbelt route es-

entially as now proposed, with no major changes. The WMATA board of directors could be expected to agree, and the final decision on the exact alignment of the entire route from Greenbelt to the District line could be made by the beginning of the year. If that happens, there could be rail service to Greenbelt by 1990.

On the other hand, said Gough, continued strong opposition to the present alignment could lead the County Council to ask METRO for major changes in the route. If that happens, new environmental impact studies would be required which, Gough observed, normally take from 18 months to two years. Gough warned that the inflationary costs of such further delay could lead the Federal and state funding agencies to withdraw their support of the Greenbelt line. In that event, there might never be a Metrorail service for Greenbelt.

After Gough completed his summary, city council briefly discussed the situation. There was agreement that the city supports the presently proposed route, and would like to bring together representatives of other affected communities for a formal presentation by METRO. Mayor Gill Weidenfeld suggested that council should not attempt to influence directly the views of other community representatives, but should let the presentation by METRO do the "selling." Gough offered the help of METRO staff for that purpose.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Recreation Review

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is now taking registrations for the 1981 season's basketball league. Competition will be held in the SHL Rec. Center Gym. on Sun. evenings beginning Jan. 11. Deadline is 5 p.m. Fri., December 19. A franchise fee is charged for each team. For further information, call the Youth Center Business Office, Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 474-6378.

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Golden Age Club

by Blanche Lee

The Club will celebrate Thanksgiving with a catered dinner at the Youth Center Wednesday, November 19 at 12 noon. Reservations for members and guests or cancellations must be made by November 12 by calling Hospitality Chairman, Eleanor Moore, 474-0537. A program is being planned by Chairman Moore and her committee. Special guests will be invited.

October 29 was a fun evening for the Greenbelt Club when they were guests of Goddard Space Flight Center for dress rehearsal of the play, "Kiss Me Kate," a musical version of "The Taming of the Shrew." The Club is most

Crime Prevention Program

Greenbelt Homes Inc. is sponsoring a crime prevention program in cooperation with the Greenbelt Police Department. In order to tailor the crime prevention presentation to the special concerns and problems of those living in GHI, the Member Relations Committee is working with the Police Department to design the program. Members with suggestions, issues or topics to be covered should contact Sandy Smith on 474-6127.

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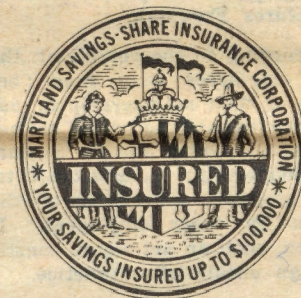
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ther to honor the request of the new townhouse owners to be excluded from the bond issue has several facets. From a legal standpoint "I do not think carving out the townhouses would pose a problem," said Reisman. However, from a marketing standpoint, he continued, the answer might be different and should be addressed by the underwriters.

Councilman Richard Pilski wanted to know whether the ordinance would need to be amended to reflect the change. Reisman said no. A later resolution will give an opportunity to define the property to be included. GHI general manager Ken Kopstein advised council that the issue would "receive a full airing at the October 9 GHI board meeting and hope to make a decision."

"That's a decision for the GHI board and members," agreed Councilman Richard Castaldi, attempting to steer council away from discussing the merits of the issue. However, Councilman Charles Schwan felt differently. No one should "serve as intermediary between citizens and their council. We should hear them. If this is so wrapped up with GHI that it can't be disentangled, then defer to the GHI board."

Schwan, Councilman Tom White and Mayor Gil Weidenfeld all expressed the hope that the wishes of the townhouse members would be respected, if possible. (See adjacent story for GHI Board decision.)

Volunteer Tutors Needed

Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau is in need of dedicated volunteers to tutor youth in the Greenbelt area. The only qualifications are a desire to help young people and a commitment of one hour per week.

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The tutoring service is available to community children free of charge. For further information, please call 345-6660.

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the lower interest rates achieved in the rehabilitation program which are to be comingled and spread throughout the entire membership.

Two reasons apparently underlie the townhouse owners request for exclusion. Some owners feel that extensive rehabilitation of the ten year old homes will not be necessary and they prefer to finance any needed improvements themselves.

A second reason is that exclusion from the bond issue enables the townhouse owners to preserve their present legal status as fee simple owners of their property. Some believe that this status makes financing easier to obtain when selling a home since the buyer is able to finance the purchase through a conventional first mortgage rather than the equity financing arrangement used by all other GHI homeowners. One advantage which all members will derive from the exclusion is that townhouse owners will not be put in competition with other members for the same sources of financing home resales.

One concern with the Board's decision expressed by Board member Margaret Hogensen, is that the extent of rehabilitation of the new townhouses and the ultimate cost of that work is not completely clear at this time. If serious, unanticipated rehabilitation problems develop later on, the townhouse owners may have to bear a heavy, unexpected financial burden.

On the motion to exclude the townhouses, Steve Curtis and John Lewis voted no. Curtis apparently wished to postpone the decision for at least one week to allow the townhouse owners additional time to investigate the ramifications of exclusion.

CHORALE HITS HIGH C

By Frank H. Hirschel

This was my first experience in hearing the Greenbelt-Lanham Chorale. I was extremely surprised as I listened intently, looking away from the stage and then back again because I couldn't believe my ears. Could this quality of performance be coming from a small community chorus?

A week ago Monday evening, at the Utopia Theater, Edmund Lewis and his 24-piece "Human Organ" made beautiful music. Lewis led his singers through some very difficult and intricate music, a requiem mass, "Missa Pro Defunctis" by Thomas Luis de Victoria and three motets by Anton Bruckner. That Lewis has the talent, knowledge and daring to attempt this exciting type of program is to both his and the chorale's credit.

The opening part of the evening by Victoria was by far the best. The group has a lush sound and executes under expert hands. Four voices sang the cantor part with professional flair. Diane Donnelly, Cliff Blendemann, Mike Fitzmaurice and Dave Whiteman accepted the assignment with only a single pitch pipe note to start them. The music that followed was good enough to record.

After a short intermission, the Bruckner pieces were performed. I'm sorry to say that certain weaknesses showed up during the "forte" singing and on occasion it sounded as if a few of the singers had added notes to Bruckner's very full chords.

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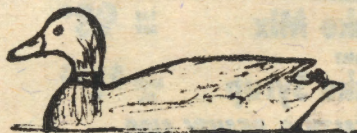
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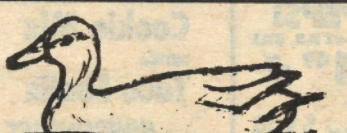
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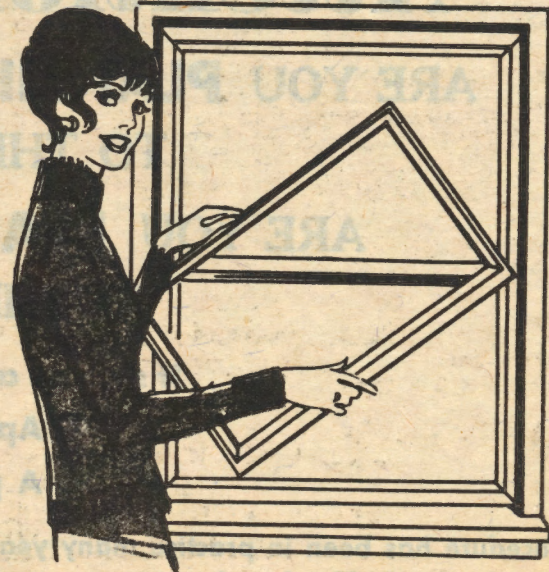
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Dorothy Gropp Honored As Distinguished Alumni

Mrs. Dorothy Gropp was one of four alumni honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award by Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas at its homecoming weekend, October 24-26. Gropp was honored for her outstanding career as a librarian.

Gropp graduated from E.S.U. in 1929 with major studies in Library Science. She began her career in Sao Paulo, Brazil, for the purpose of reorganizing the Mackenzie College Library along modern library methods. While there, two years, she gave a training course to the staff of the library. The course was expanded and eventually became a Library School under the auspices of the Public Library System. Today the school is a part of the School of Political Science in Sao Paulo. This beginning served as a tremendous impact on library organization and the training of librarians in Brazil.

Gropp accompanied her husband (also a distinguished alumnus of E.S.U., 1970) as Field Secretary, on a two-year survey, 1937-1938, of libraries and archives of Central America and the West Indies for the Middle American Research Institute of Tulane University of Louisiana. She assisted in the preparation of the ensuing 700-page report of the survey.

Subsequently, she became the head cataloger of material for the American Meteorological Society's abstract service. This is rated among the upper ten of abstracting services in the United States due in large part to the high standard of bibliographical processing. At present Gropp is Associate Librarian at the National Council of the Aging in the District of Columbia.

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against the side wall of the Co-op, extending $\frac{3}{4}$ the length of the building starting from the east end. Giese noted that sidewalk access would be a problem in this alternative. City staff also questioned whether the angled parking could be kept in the median across from this site. However, Councilman Richard Castaldi noted that only eleven feet were needed for one-way traffic.

In the alternate, a space 160 x 24 feet would be used on the far side of the parking lot across from the proposed post office. Both compounds would be surrounded by an eight-foot-high chain link fence with sliding gates. A loading zone and platform adjacent to the building would be needed in both plans. The platform would be at floor level, not truck level, Giese noted. However, Giese questioned the necessity of eliminating parking spaces across from the platform. He did not feel the extra room was needed to maneuver post office trucks.

Although Giese felt neither plan would create serious parking problems, he suggested that a better plan could be devised. Perhaps, he said, the lot could go into city parkland.

Reminding council that he supported the Crescent and Parkway post office site, Councilman Richard Pilski called the present plan, "a makeshift thing." He questioned the impact of this location on greenspace, parking, the archery range, and the Labor Day

APB REPORT

At its November 3 session, city council accepted the APB report on the postal facility site. While it has a number of concerns about the proposal, APB "strongly endorses the concept of locating the Postal facility in the lower level of the Co-op building." APB prefers a fenced vehicle compound across the parking lot from the Co-op building. The board feels this site would relieve parking in the upper lot, retain the sidewalk behind Co-op and provide better customer access to the proposed post office. However, APB raised questions about the impact of the proposal on the Labor Day Festival and the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission easement on the wall mural at the rear of the building. Further, APB suggests the city engineer and an urban designer review the plan. Finally, APB states "the split facility option should remain open should the above concept not be feasible."

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Council decided to inform the Postal Service that the plan was being considered and that council may wish to make some modifications. The plan was forwarded to city staff, the Advisory Planning Board, and the Park and Recreation Advisory Board for recommendations.




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